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Attorney Docket No. MI22-1777

First Inventor Mark Fischer

Title Semiconductor Processing Methods of Forming a Conductive
Projection and Methods of Increasing Alignment Tolerances

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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages 28]
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
- Descriptive title of the invention
 - Cross Reference to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 18]
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- b. ☒ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63 (d))
(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
- i. ☐ **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s)
named in the prior application, see 37 CFR
1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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7. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or
Computer Program (Appendix)
8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission
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- a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
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ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement ☐ Power of
(when there is an assignee) Attorney
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☒ Information Disclosure ☒ Copies of IDS
Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Citations
13. ☒ Preliminary Amendment
14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)
(Should be specifically itemized)
15. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)
(if foreign priority is claimed)
16. ☐ Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. 122
(b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35
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18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76:

☒ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP)

of prior application No. 09 / 507,193

Prior application information:

Examiner D. Deo

Group Art Unit: 1765

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Application Number	09/507,193 (Priority)
Filing Date	February 18, 2000 (Priority)
First Named Inventor	Mark Fischer
Examiner Name	D. Deo (Priority)
Group / Art Unit	1765 (Priority)
Attorney Docket No.	MI22-1777

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Independent Claims	5 - 3** = 2	80	160
Multiple Dependent			0

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102 78 202 39		Independent claims in excess of 3
104 260 204 130		Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
109 78 209 39		** Reissue independent claims over original patent
110 18 210 9		** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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SUBSTITUTE DRAWING REQUEST

Please enter the enclosed substitute drawings in the above-referenced application
in place of drawings originally filed. The content of the drawings are identical to those now
on file in this application.

Acknowledgment of receipt of the formal drawings and their acceptance into the file
is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosures: 9 Sheets of Formal Drawings, Figs. 1-16.